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REMARKS

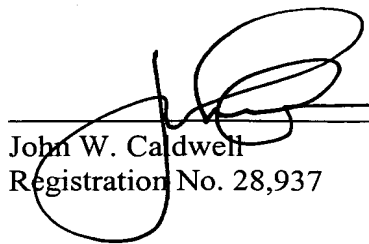
In response to the Restriction Requirement dated May 16, 2006, applicant hereby elects, with traverse, claim group 1, comprising claims 1 through 9.

It is requested that the Examiner reconsider the requirement that a single peptide be elected in this case. Claim 1 contains only a single sequence ID number, although some variability is presented. It is entirely inappropriate to limit this invention to a single sequence and, indeed, the USPTO rules do not so require. Applicant is willing to point to the peptides of, for example, claims 2 through 4 for examination purposes, however.

The full breadth of claim 1 ought to be allowed in the present application. Solely for purposes of being fully responsive to the outstanding office action, the peptide exemplified by claim 2 will be designated in a response to the office action. Since the remaining groups are not being elected at this time, discussion of the inappropriateness of the restriction requirement applied to those groups will be deferred until a further office action or a subsequent application.

Respectfully submitted,

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